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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF JOHNSON UTILITIES COMPANY, LLC)
DBA JOHNSON UTILITIES FOR)
APPROVAL TO EXTEND ITS EXISTING)
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY.)

Docket No.: **WS-02987A-09-0083**

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
INTERVENE**

Pursuant to A.R.S. 40-§360.05(A)(2) and Arizona Administrative Code §R14-3-105, the Town of Florence, an Arizona municipal corporation, ("Florence"), hereby applies to the Arizona Corporation Commission (the "Commission"), for an order granting leave to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. It is respectfully requested that the Commission grant leave to intervene for the following reasons:

1. Florence, as a municipal water provider, seeks to promote the development of equitable rates for water and wastewater service within its corporate limits as a matter of public policy. This goal will be furthered if Florence remains the water and wastewater treatment provider to the territory into which applicant seeks to expand its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N").

2. Thousands of future residents of Florence will be substantially affected by the Applicant's proposed extension, because the territory which is the subject of the application is largely within the Town of Florence.

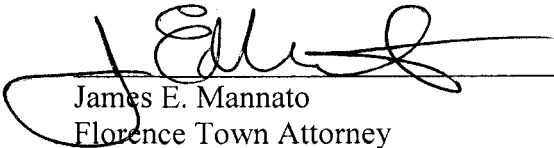
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1 3. It is the position of the Town of Florence that Applicant's current request is
2 contrary to the terms of the Operating Agreement given to Johnson Utilities on April 20, 2005
3 and recorded at Pinal County Recorder Fee No. 2005-051154. Section 17 of said Agreement
4 states that "Town and Utility agree that the Town shall deliver potable water, effluent water and
5 wastewater services to all other areas, located east of the realigned section of Felix Road,
6 including but not limited to the property as legally described in the Merrill Ranch Pre-
7 Annexation Development Agreement dated December 3, 2003."

8 If leave to intervene is granted, the Town of Florence requests that all communication
9 issued in connection with the proceedings be directed to:

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11 Florence Town Attorney
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14 Florence, AZ 85232
15 520-868-7557

16 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 8th day of April, 2009.

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18 James E. Mannato
19 Florence Town Attorney
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2 Original and 15 copies filed this 8th day of April, 2009, with:

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7 A copy of the foregoing document was mailed this
8 8th day of April, 2008 to:

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